GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

Wildlife – Constitution of State Board for Wildlife for the State of Telangana under Section 6(1) of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 as amended from time to time – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (For.I) DEPARTMENT

<u>G.O.Ms.No.43</u> <u>Dated: 19.09.2015</u>

Read:

From the Spl. PCCF (Dev.) & CWLW, Telangana, Hyderabad, Lr.No.1274/2014/WL-1, Dt: 02.07.2014.

ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Dev.) Telangana has submitted a proposal for constitution of the State Board for Wildlife, under Section 6 (1) of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

2. Government, after careful examination of the proposal of the Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Dev.), Telangana State, Hyderabad, hereby constitute the State Board for Wildlife for the State of Telangana under the powers vested in section 6 (1) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 as amended from time to time, with the following Members:-

SI. No.	Name of the member	Designation	
1.	Hon'ble Chief Minister	Chairperson	
2.	Hon'ble Minister for Forests & Environment	Vice - Chairperson	
3.	Members of the State Legislature:		
	i. Sri Rathod Bapu Rao, MLA, Boath, Adilabad District.	Member	
	ii. Sri K. Kanakaiah, MLA, Yellandu, Khammam District.	Member	
	iii. Sri G. Balaraj, MLA, Achampet, Mahaboobnagar District.	Member	
4.	Persons to represent N.G.Os dealing with Wildlife:		
	i. Sri. Anil Kumar V Epur, World Wide Fund (WWF) India, Hyderabad.	Member	
	ii. Sri. M. Shafatulla, Bird Watchers Society, Hyderabad.	Member	
	iii. Ms. M.Indira, Centre for Environmental Education (CEE), Hyderabad.	Member	

5.	Persons amongst eminent conservationis environmentalists:	sts, ecologists &
	 i. Dr. Karthikeyan, Vasudevan, Prl. Sr. Scientist, Laboratory for the Conservation of Endangered Species (LaCONES), Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Hyderabad. 	
	ii. Sri K. Jaganmohan Rao, IFS (Retd.), Hyderabad.	Member
	iii. Sri Avinash Viswanathan, Friends of Snakes Society, Hyderabad.	Member
	iv. Dr. Naveen Kumar, Dy. Director, Veterinary (Retd.), Hyderabad.	Member
	v. Dr. Vasudeva Rao, Head of Agricultural Ornithology, Hyderabad.	Member
	vi. Head of the Department, Zoology, Osmania University, Hyderabad.	Member
	vii. Imran Siddiqui, Secretary, Hyderabad Tiger Conservation Society (HyTiCoS), Hyderabad.	
	viii. Ms. Farida Tampal, World Wide Fund (WWF) India, Hyderabad.	Member
	ix. Rathod Janardhan, (ST Representative) Active in forest & Wildlife Protection in Kawal Tiger Reserve.	Member
	 X. Kanaka Lakke Rao, (ST Representative) Active in forest & Wildlife Protection in Kawal Tiger Reserve. 	
6.	Other Members:	
i.	Principal Secretary to Government, EFS&T Dept.	Member
ii.	Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force).	Member
iii.	Principal Secretary to Government, Tribal Welfare Dept.	Member
iv.	Managing Director, Telangana State Tourism Development Corporation, Hyderabad.	Member
V.	An Officer of the State Police Department not below the rank of Inspector-General.	Member
vi.	A representative of the Armed Forces not below the rank of the Brigadier to be nominated by the Central Government.	
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vii.	Director, Department of Animal Husbandry, Hyderabad.	Member
viii.	Commissioner, Department of Fisheries, Hyderabad.	Member
ix.	Deputy Director, Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, Chennai.	Member
x.	A representative of the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.	Member
xi.	A representative of the Botanical Survey of India Hyderabad.	Member
xii.	A representative of the Zoological Survey of India, Hyderabad.	Member
xiii.	Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Dev.), Hyderabad.	Member Secretary.

- 3. **Term of the Board:** As per Section 6 of the Act, the term of office of the members, other than those who are ex-officio members, shall be (3) years.
- 4. **Procedure to be followed by the Board:** As per the Section 7 of the Act, the Board shall meet at least twice in a year at such places as the Government may direct. The Board shall regulate its own procedure including quorum. No act of the proceeding of the Board shall be invalid merely by the reason of existence of any vacancy or irregularity in the procedure of the board affecting the merits of the case.
- 5. **Duties and Responsibilities of the Board:** As per Section 8 of the Act, it shall be the duty of the State Board for Wildlife to advice the State Government in respect of:
 - a. In the selection and management of areas to be declared as Protected Areas.
 - b. In formulation of the policy for protection and conservation of Wildlife and specified plants.
 - c. In any matter relating to the amendment of any schedule.
 - d. In relation to the measures to be taken for harmonizing the needs of the tribal and other dwellers of the forest with the protection and conservation of wildlife.
 - e. In any matter that may be referred to it by the State Government.
- 6. The Board shall be treated as $1^{\rm st}$ class committee for the purpose of drawl of TA & DA by the non-official members. The members (except exofficio members) shall be entitled to receive travelling and daily allowance as a First Class Committee. The Member Secretary of the board shall be the counter signing authority for TA bills of non-official members.
- 7. The Expenditure on TA & DA Bills etc. shall be debited to the Head of account "2406 Forestry and Wildlife, 01- Forestry, 001 Direction and Administration, 01- Head Quarter Office".

This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (EBS.VIII) Department vide their U.O. No.11240/338/2015, Dt: 18/09/2015.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

RAJESHWAR TIWARI PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

The Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Dev.), Telangana State, Hyderabad (Member Secretary of the Committee).

The Chair Person, Vice-Chairperson and all the Members of the Committee through Chief Wildlife Warden & Spl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (Dev.), Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad. The Addl. Secretary to C.M. / PS to Honble Minister (F& E).

The Secretary to Government, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Agni Wing, 5th floor, Aliganj, Jor Bagh road, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi.

The Accountant General, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.

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